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COMICS

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GARGOYLES

THE NEXT
GENERATION



GAROYLES

THE EGG AND

JOHN ANTHONY HILBY
EDITHA JOLLEN MEYER
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WHILE LIFE FLICKERS IN
THE METROPOLIS THAT IS
NEW YORK CITY, DEEP BELOW
ITS DARK COLIST ARE BURIED
MANY RIDDLES.

ONE SUCH RIDDLE IS A
PLACE THOUSANDS COME
TO, BUT FEW SEE. THE
NYTD BODILIE.

THOUGH THE ROOM IS CROWDED
WITH PEOPLE, THERE IS BUT ONE
PERSON AWARE OF IT. BUT THAT
CHANGES WITH THE ARRIVAL OF...

DETECTIVE
MAGUI

HEY! I
THOUGHT
WE WERE ON A
FIRST NAME
BASIS.

BOBBY? JUST
BEING POLITE!
SINCE YOU'RE HERE
ON BUSINESS,
RIGHT?

HEARD YOU
WERE IN QUITE
THE FIREFIGHT IN
CHINATOWN LAST
NIGHT!

YEAH,
THIS STUPID
HAD ME PUMP IN
HIS BIGHT'S GOOD
THING HIS GUN
JAMMED!

THEY DON'T
HAVE TO WORRY
ABOUT THAT
NOW!

THIS TRIO
GANG IS GETTING BOLDER
ALL THE TIME! NOT CONTENT WITH
CONTROLLING 90% OF ASIA,
THEY'VE GOT TO COME TO
NEW YORK TO CAUSE
TROUBLE!

I HEAR
THEY FIGHT WITH
A PERFOR WORTHY
OF A RELIGIOUS
CRUSADE!

IT'S TRUE!
BUT WE HAVE
CAPTURED A GANG
MEMBER AND WE'RE
HOPING HE'LL
TALK!

YOU HAD
TO SHOOT
HIM?

NO! THAT'S
THE THING! I WAS
CLIPPING HIM WHEN ONE
OF HIS OWN GANG SHOT
HIM! I GUESS THEY
DON'T WANT HIM
TO TALK!

GOOD LUCK...
YOU'LL NEED IT! BY THE
WAY, DIDN'T I SEE YOU AT A
CERTAIN GREASY SPOON
THE OTHER NIGHT?

GUILTY
AS CHARGED! I WAS
GONNA SAY AS, BUT YOU
SEEMED, ER, BUSY WITH
SOME CHICK!

"CHICK"?

THAT
WAS NO CHICK.
THAT WAS MY
STEP-SISTER,
COLLEEN.

OH!
ER, UH...

AND IN
CHINATOWN,
AT AN OLD
BUILDING
ORNAMENTED BY
AN ORIENTAL
MOTIF...

"AGGGH!
NO, MISTRESS!
BETTER! NO
MORE!"

"FOOL! THE TRIAD IS A
SECRET ORGANIZATION! WE
DO NOT HAVE BATTLES IN
PUBLIC WITH THE LOCAL
POLICE!"

"SINCE
YOU WERE
TEAM LEADER
ON THAT
BUNGLED RAID
LAST NIGHT, YOU
ARE RESPONSIBLE
AND WILL TAKE YOUR
PUNISHMENT IN
THE SPIRIT
EXPECTED!"

"EVEN WORSE,
YOU LET A MEMBER GET
CAPTURED BY THE POLICE...
ALIVE! COULD YOU BE
ANY MORE OF A
DOLT?"

"M-MISTRESS,
I--"

"YOU HAVE
DISRESPECTED
YOUR ANCESTORS
AND THE MINGED
ONE WITH YOUR
FAILURE... AND
YOU KNOW THE
PENALTY!"

"SHUT UP! CHAN,
WOO... TAKE THIS REFUSE
AWAY AND DISPOSE
OF IT!"

"AND WHEN
YOU'RE DONE WITH
THAT, CHAN, SEE TO IT THAT
THE CAPTURED ONE IS
SILENCED!"

"I WILL
NOT FAIL,
MISTRESS!"

*TRANSLATED FOR
YOUR CONVENIENCE
FROM MANDARIN.
-- MULTILINGUAL
MESNIK

U-UUUUUH

HOURS LATER AT THE 23RD FLOOR, ELISA AND MATT BLUESTONE ARE STILL AT WORK, ATTEMPTING TO GRILL THE APPREHENDED TRAD MEMBER.

THIS IS GETTING US NOWHERE! HE CAN'T UNDERSTAND US AT ALL!

TEAM, I BET! WE KNOW THE TRAD DOESN'T LIKE THE IDEA OF THE COMMUNISTS TAKING OVER HONG KONG IN 1997 AND THEY'VE EXPANDED THEIR OPERATIONS TO OUR LITTLE CITY.

HE KNOWS EXACTLY WHAT WE'RE SAYING AND I'M GOING TO TRY ON HIM TILL HE CRACKS!

GHEESH! AND I THOUGHT I WAS THE CONSPIRACY NUT! I'M GONNA SEE IF THAT TRANSLATOR'S HERE YET... AND GET SOME COFFEE.

OH, CHINA, WHAT'S THE SCOOP?

NOTHING CAN MAKE ME TALK, FEMALE BOSS! ONE SUCH AS YOU COULD NOT FATHOM THE SIGNIFICANCE OF -

CHAVE MINE WITH CREAM, NO SUGAR... PLEZ?

THERE'S MORE TO THE TRAD THAN JUST ITS ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES. IS IT A CLUE? WHAT'S ITS NEXT STEP?

...THE WINGED ONES

BUT ELISA IS VERY AWARE OF SOME SIGNIFICANT "WINGED ONES". THEIR LEADER, GOLMOTH, STANDS ACROSS FROM THE FLOOR, SURVEILLING THE MAN-MADE GARDENS BEFORE HIM.

THE OTHERS ARE OUT GAMING, HAVING A RARE MOMENT OF FUN. THEY DESERVE IT AFTER THEIR TRAVELS WITH THE ARK!

HMM. THIS STORM IS COMING FROM THE ATLANTIC AND LOOKS LIKE IT'S GETTING MORE VICIOUS. I'M SURE HURRICANE WILL REC-- BHP

*AS SEEN IN EXCITING, FOUR-COLOR ACTION IN BARBICLES '7 & '8. -- HILST



THAT
FIGURE, SCALING
THE POLICE
BUILDING. IT
MOVES LIKE A
SHADOW!

«THERE IS MY PREY,
BUT HE IS NOT ALONE. NO
MATTER, HE CANNOT BE
ALLOWED TO LIVE AND
THREAT»



I KNOW HOW
"WELL" YOUR GROUP
TREATS ITS MEMBERS.
DON'T YOU FEAR FOR
YOUR LIFE?

«WHEN I PASS ON,
THERE WILL BE OTHER
GLORIES IN STORE
FOR ME!»



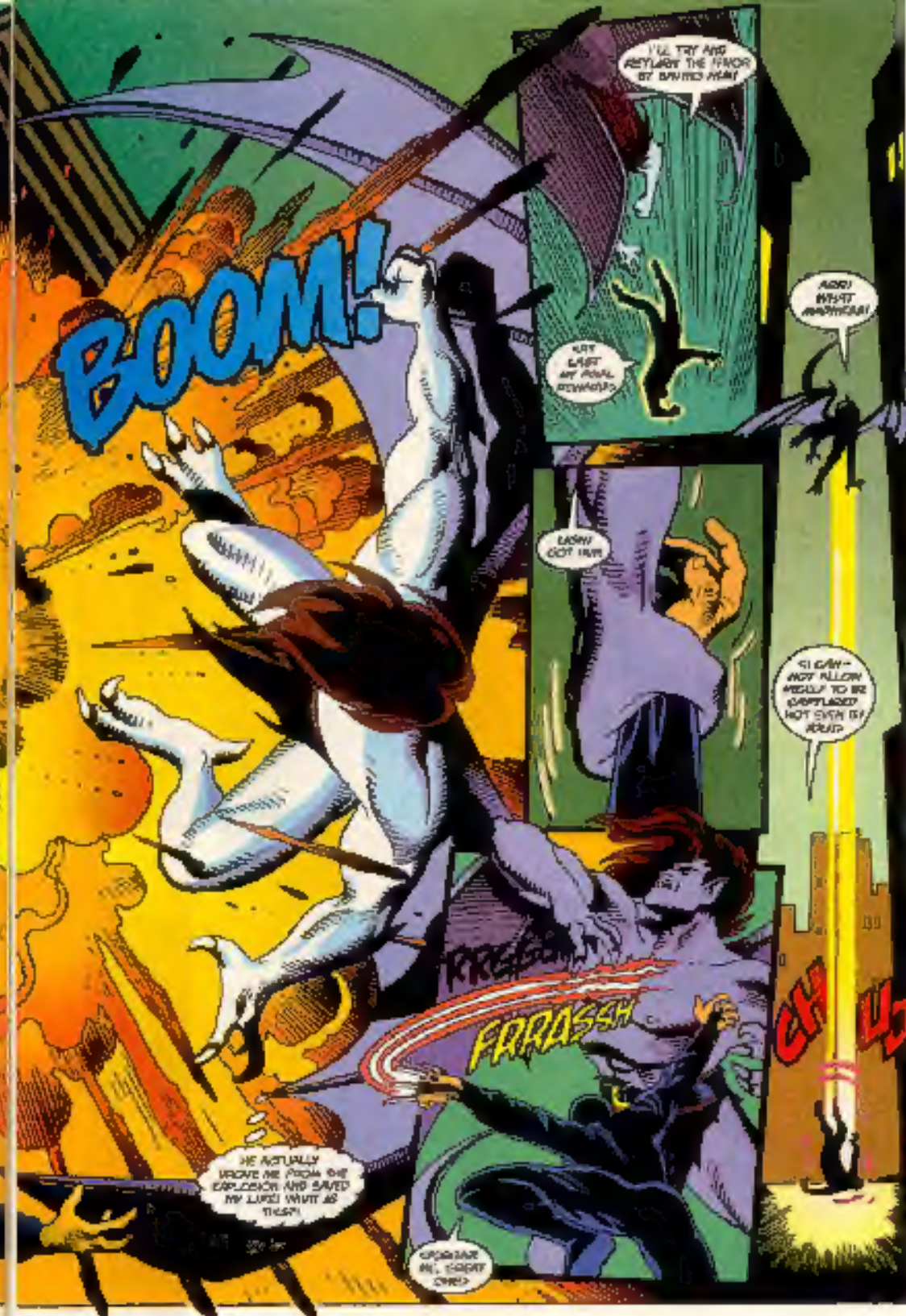
«TEN SECONDS SHOULD
BE AMPLIFIED TIME FOR ME
TO ESCAPE--»



EXCUSE
ME, DO YOU HAVE
A GOOD REASON
FOR BEING OUT
HERE?

GAAH!

«BT
ALL THAT'S
HOLD! A
DIFFERENT
WINGED
CRE»



AND AT THAT MOMENT, IN A HALL PUNGENT WITH INCENSE, THOSE MEMBERS BOY IN SUPPLICATION TO THEIR LIVING GODDESS... DEMONA!

THESE FOOLS SUIT MY PURPOSES PERFECTLY.

WITH THEIR WEAPONS, CONNECTIONS AND SHEER NUMBERS ALONE I WOULD BE GRATIFIED, BUT THERE'S ALSO THE EGGS!

«BOW DEEP, GRATEFUL THAT WE ARE FORTUNATE TO WITNESS THE FULFILLMENT OF OUR LONG-FORETOLD DESTINY!»

«ANCIENT PROPHECIES TOLD US THAT THE WINGED ONE WOULD RETURN FOR WHAT WAS THEIRS... AND HERALD IN A NEW ERA OF ENLIGHTENMENT!»

«NOW BRING IN WHAT IS DEMONA'S BY BIRTHRIGHT! BRING IN...!»

THE EGGS!

ALPH! THIS EGG WILL INDEED USHER IN A NEW ERA, AND BIRTH A NEW GARGOYLE!

ONE TO HOLD IN MY OWN FISHION!

YOUR SACRED SCROLL, PASSED THROUGH THE AGES ALONG WITH THE EGG, READS:

YOUR ELDERS TELL US THAT SACRED NIGHT... IS TOMORROW!

I HOPE IT'S A GIRL!

WITH A LITTLE GARGOYLE UNDER MY WING, SHE CAN AID ME IN THE COMPLETE SUBJUGATION OF THE HUMAN RACE!

AND THE TRAD CAN BE BETRAYED AT MY CONVENIENCE!

"KNOW THAT WHEN THE WINGED ONE MAKES ITSELF KNOWN TO THE CHOSEN, THE VERY COSMOS WILL BE IN ALIGNMENT, UNIQUE TO THAT MILLENNIUM!"

"AND ON THAT PRESCRIBED NIGHT, A NEW WINGED ONE WILL BE BORN!"

AN OMINOUS RIDDLE OF DANGER RUMBLES ACROSS THE CITY AS ELISA ARRIVES AT THE CLOCK TOWER...

OCH, BRONX HAPPY TO SEE ME?

YOUR TIMELY ARRIVAL SAVED MY SKIN, GOLIAH... AND THAT OF A SUD-DELY TALKATIVE STODOLIE!

WHY AM I NOT SURPRISED SHE IS IN LEAGUE WITH A LEGION OF MURDEROUS CULT MEMBERS?

AND YOU WERE RIGHT, DEMONA IS INVOLVED WITH THE TRAD!

SHE FITS INTO SOME PROPHECIES ABOUT A "WINGED ONE" THAT WILL BIRTH SOME NEW AGE FOR THE TRAD.

BRONX IS SUCH A GOOD BOY!

THEY'RE HAVING A CEREMONY AT A PLACE SO SECRET, EVEN OUR SQUEALER DIDN'T KNOW WHERE IT WAS.

NO, I'M AFRAID WE CAN ONLY HOPE TO FIND THEM BEFORE THEY HATCH THEIR SCHEME.

DO YOU KNOW THEIR NEXT MOVE?

TAP
TAP
TAP

THE NEXT DAY
HELPS TO
PUSH AND THE
HEATHER'S
FACE
GROWS

NO WORD OF
TRIP ACTIVITY ALL DAY
I SHOULD BE GLAD BUT
THEY'RE PROBABLY
COOKING UP SOME THING
OUTRAGEOUS.

HOPEFULLY
THIS STORM WILL
DISSUADE THEM
FROM--

HEY, IF YOU'RE
NOT UP TO ANYTHING,
FEEL LIKE JOINING
SOME SIZZLING
FOOD?

WELL, DON'T
REALLY FEEL LIKE
ANY CHINESE
TONIGHT

BESIDES,
WE GOT TO HOOK
UP WITH SOME
FRIENDS

ELISA!

THOUGHT
MIGHT SEE YOU HERE
JUST DUMPED OFF SOME
FILES. SO AM OFFICIALLY
OFF WORK NOW

ARE YOU
NICE WEATHER
HURP

AM
KINDA
LOVE IT

BUT
I'LL TAKE A
BRISK
CHECK

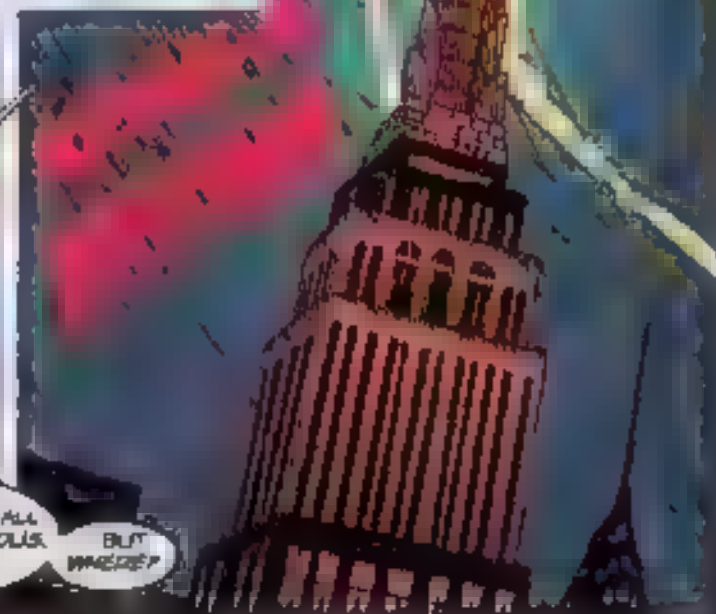
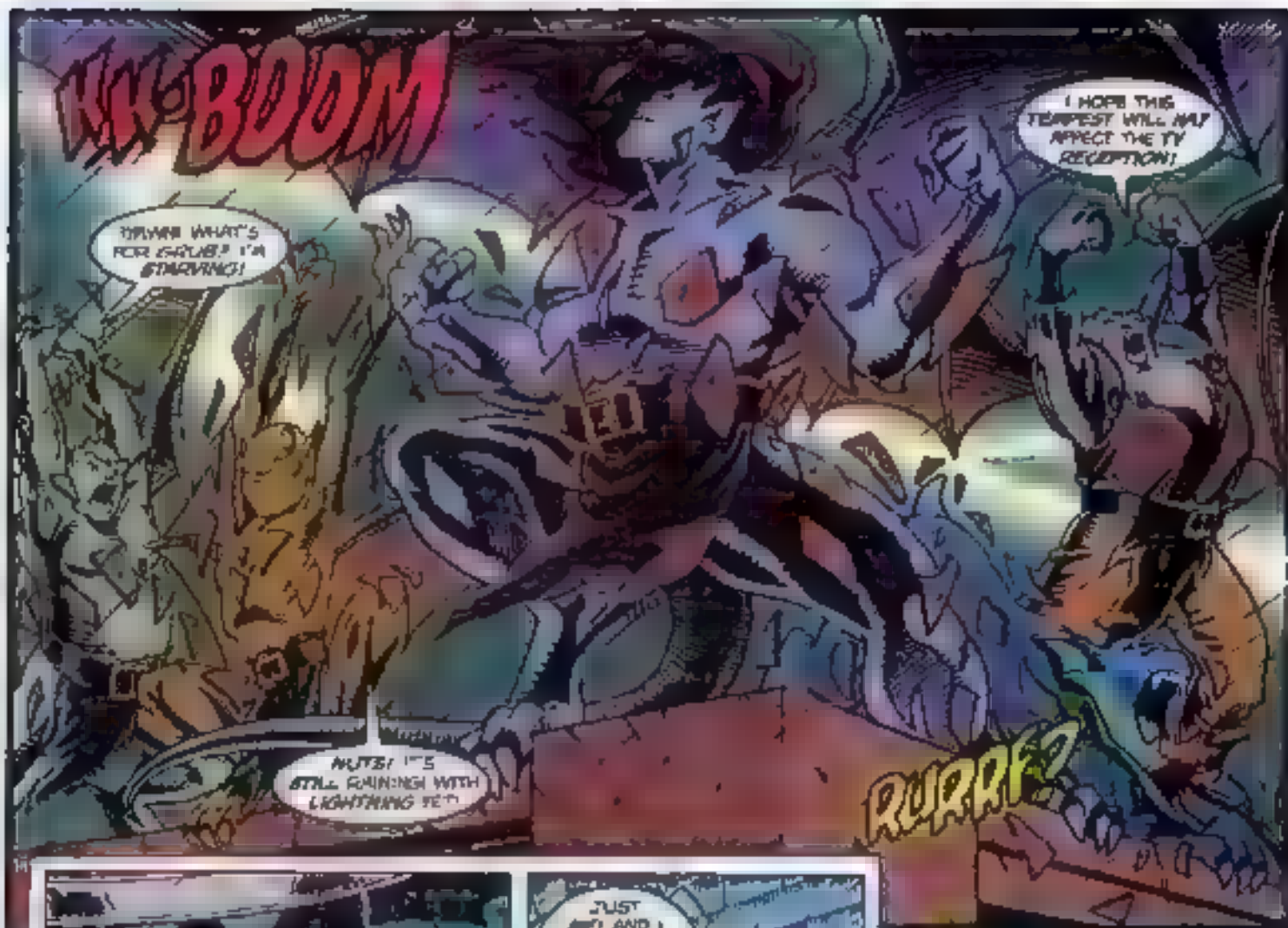
YEAH,
WON'T BE
LATER!

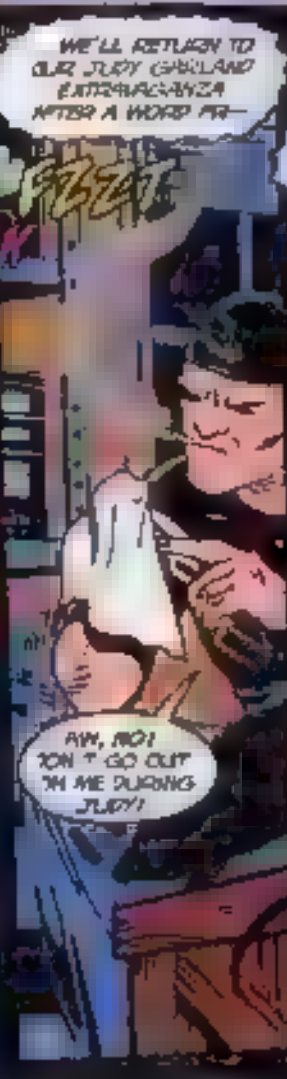
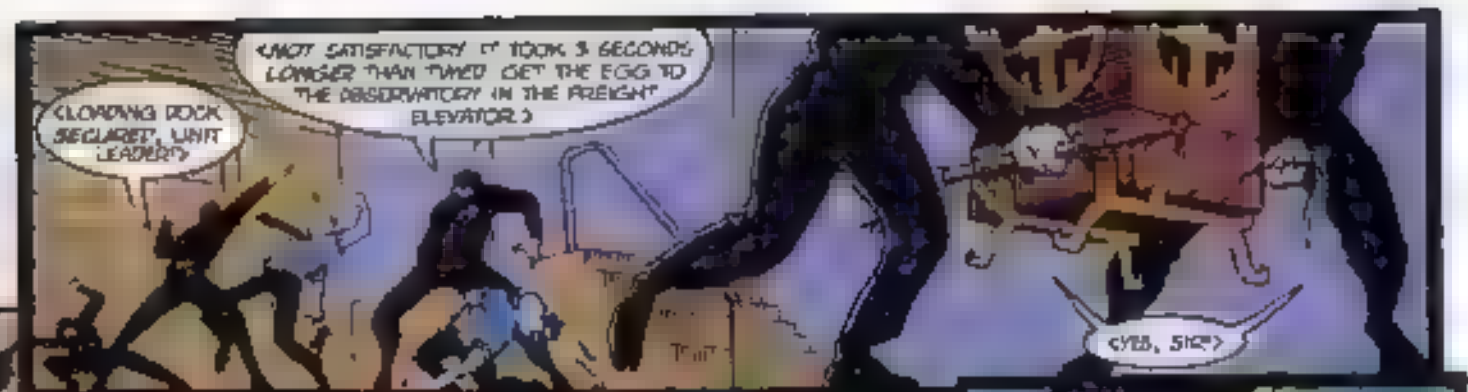
MAN, THAT WAS
STUPID OF ME! WHY
WOULD SHE GO OUT
WITH ME?

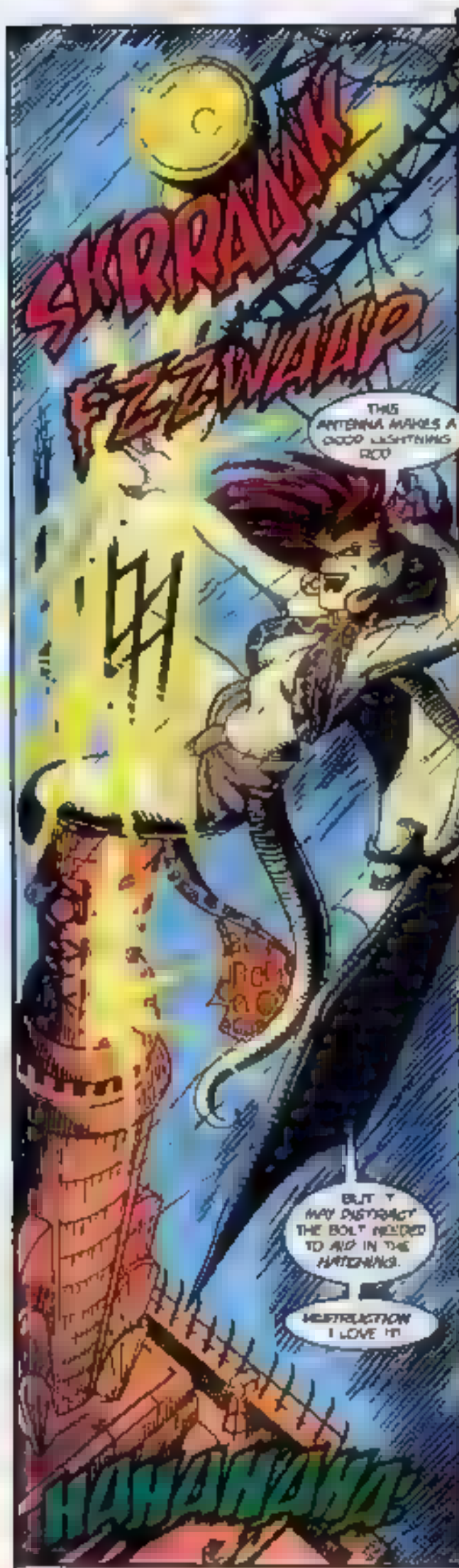
A GREAT
WOMAN LIKE THAT
MUST HAVE TONS OF
COOL FRIENDS ON
TAP!

MYSTIC
SHOULD'VE
GONE. DON'T
GET A CHANCE
TO GO OUT
MUCH, BUT

W-K-KRACK









OCH.
THAT WAS A
NASTY GOLT,
WASH Y IT?

NOW IF
WE COULD SEE
OUT THE WINDOWS,
QUEENS WOULD
BE OVER
THERE.

ARE WE
ALLOWED TO GO
OUT ON THE OBSER-
VATION DECK?

OH, NO! IN
APPROX THE STORM AND
WINDS ARE TOO
DANGEROUS!

WE ASKED YOU NICELY ... BUT
WE'LL DO IT ANYWAY!

OH,
DEAR!



EVERYONE
THAT DOESN'T
WANT TO BE
SLAYED OR
SHOT MOVE
AWAY!

(YOU TWO,
PREPARE THE
EGGS)

(YES,
WIPED ONE?)

THERE'S
THE EMPIRE STATE
BUILDING AHEAD
I THINK!

I CAN
BARELY MAKE IT
OUT THROUGH
THE RAIN!

OCH,
THOUGHT WE
HAD BAD WEATHER
IN OUR NATIVE
LAND, BUT
THIS

LOOKING LIKE
WE WERE RIGHT!
GUNMEN ARE HOLDING
POLICE OFF AT THE
LOBBY! THOSE JOPS
ARE HELPLESS WITH-
OUT RADIO
SUPPORT!

THEN
IT'S UP TO
US! WE
CAN—

WHOAI!

OUCH!

HE GOT
CAUGHT IN AN
UPDRAFT!

KA-PWEEENG

WOOOOSH!!

THESE
WINDS ARE ALREADY
TOO TREACHEROUS TO
NAVIGATE! WE'LL HAVE
TO CLIMB THE REST
OF THE WAY!

I'M BETTING
THEY'RE UP ON THE
OBSERVATION DECK.
I'LL TAKE THE
STAIRS!

BUT HOW
ARE YOU GOING TO
GET UP?

DUH—DO
YOU SEE THAT?
THE BUILDING
JUST CAME UP
AND SMACKED ME!
DON'T WORRY,
I'M OKAY! BUT,
OW!!

A SIMPLE
MATTER: WATCH
OUT FOR BROKEN
GLASS!

CAREFUL, ELISA.
WE'RE DEALING WITH
HIGHLY SKILLED
KILLERS!

WRE
TASH

WINDS!
FROM OUT OF
NOWHERE!

AND
GOLMATH'S
TOO HIGH
UP TO
HEAR US!
LEIGH!

YET, NO
PROBLEMS! IN A
NEW JONAS CORP. I'M
USED TO HIGHLY SKILLED
KILLERS! MEET YOU AT
THE 80TH FLOOR!

BE AWARE!
AN ATTACK
COULD COME
FROM ANY-
WHERE!

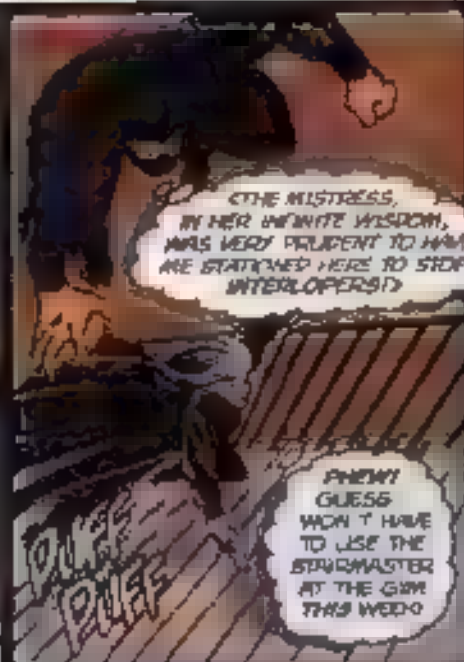
ARE, LAD
EXPERIENCE HAS
TAUGHT ME TO
ALWAYS EXPECT THE
UNEXPECTED—
DOOF!

BOY!
I WISH I WAS
AS CONFIDENT
AS I GOLMATH!
WE'RE IN
FOR A BIG
SCRAP!

EVEN IN A
STORM, OUTSIDE
THE 33RD
FLOOR!

HURSON!

YIPES!

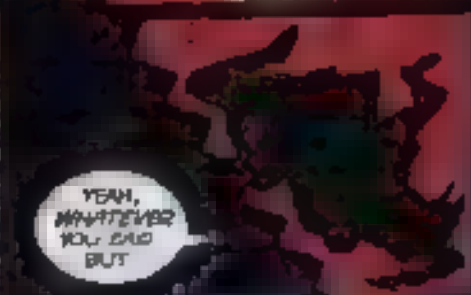


THE MISTRESS,
IN HER INFINITE WISDOM,
WAS VERY PRUDENT TO HAVE
ME STATIONED HERE TO STOP
INTERLOPERS!



GOE,
INFIDEL!

DOH!



YEAH,
WHATEVER
YOU SAID
BUT



A BETTING YOU
UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS
BETTER THAN ANY OF YOUR
FINNY FOOTWORK!



YO
GOLIATH!

AGGHI HE
STILL CAN'T
HEAR US OVER
THE STORM!

IT'S UP TO
US TO PUT THESE
PALJANA PEOPLE TO
SLEEP!



MY GUT
MAY LOOK SOFT,
BUT IT'S ALL
MUSCLE.
DUDD!

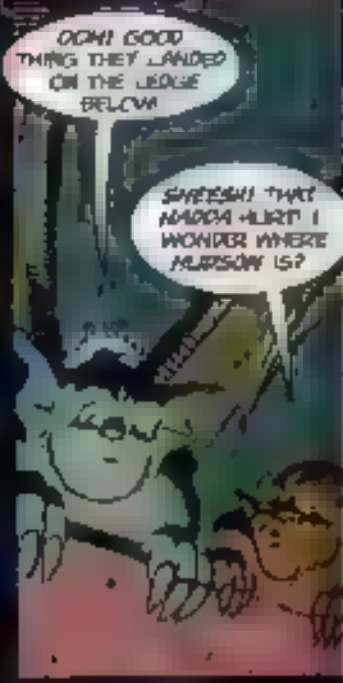
DOH!



U GAVE
YOU A HAND.
LEK ACTUALLY
TWO HANDS, A
COUPLE OF LEGS
AND A WHOLE
BODY!

WHUMP

OH-EEE!



DOH! GOOD
THING THEY LANDED
ON THE JUDGE
BELCH

SNEESH! THAT
NADDA HURT! I
WONDER WHERE
MURSON IS?



LET'S LOOK FOR HIM
AND CATCH UP WITH
GOLIATH!

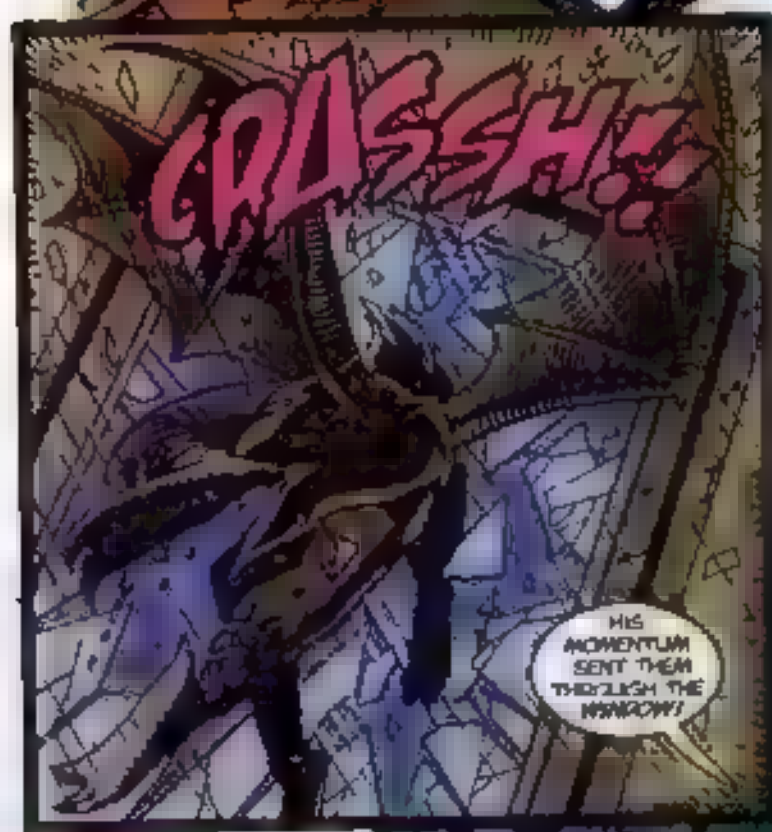
WROOOLPH
LOOK
OUT!!

WHOOOSH



HURSON!!

A WORD TO THE WISE, LADDE: IN BATTLE, ALWAYS WATCH YOUR BACK!



HIS MOMENTUM SENT THEM THROUGH THE WINDOW!



HURSON! ARE YOU OKAY?

MOST ASSUREDLY! THOUGH I CANNA SAY THE SAME FOR OUR FRIEND!

NOW LET US HURRY AND CATCH UP WITH GOLIATH!



I HOPE ELISH'S DOING OKAY IF SHE MEETS UP WITH THOSE KNUFS...

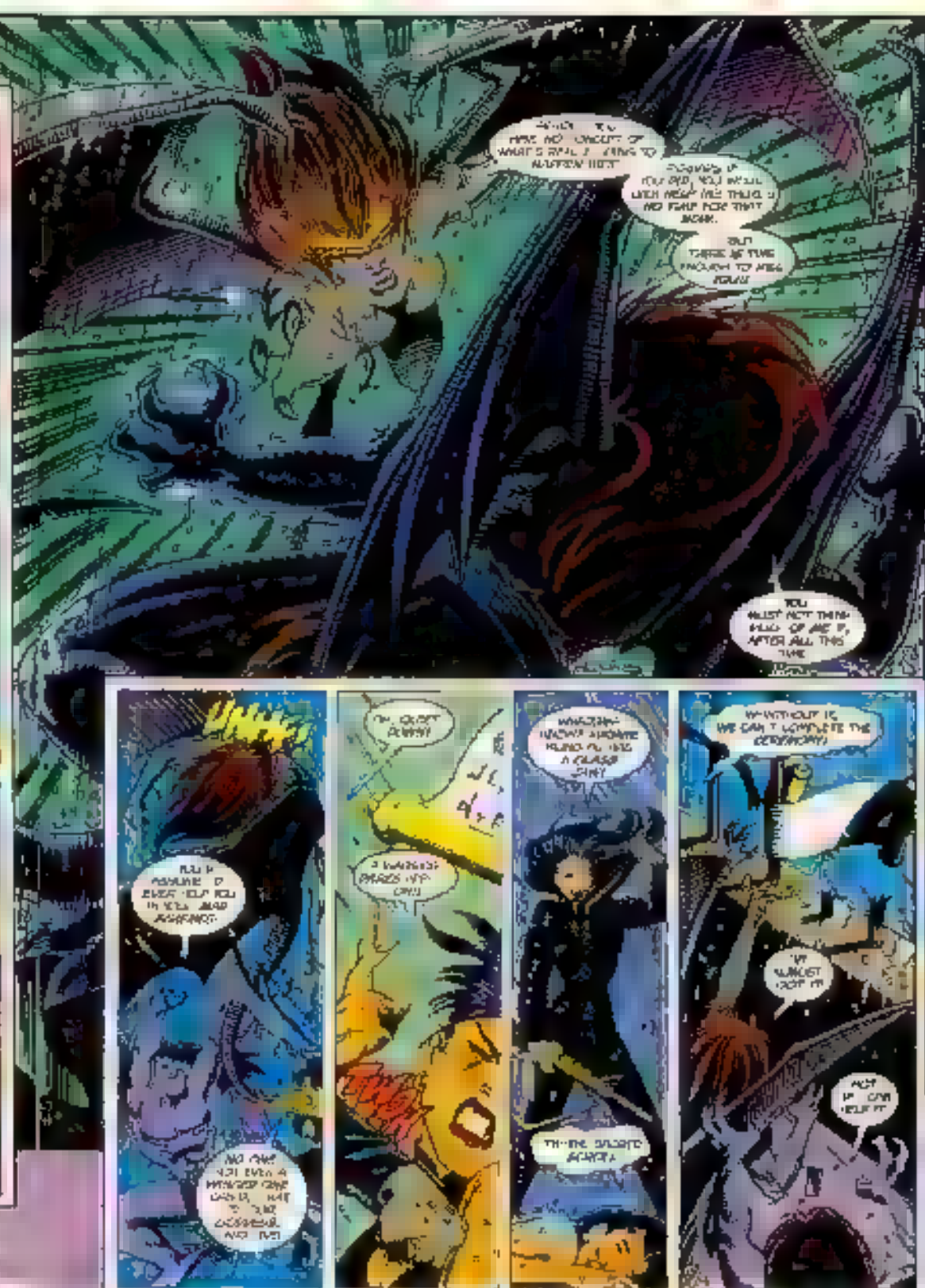
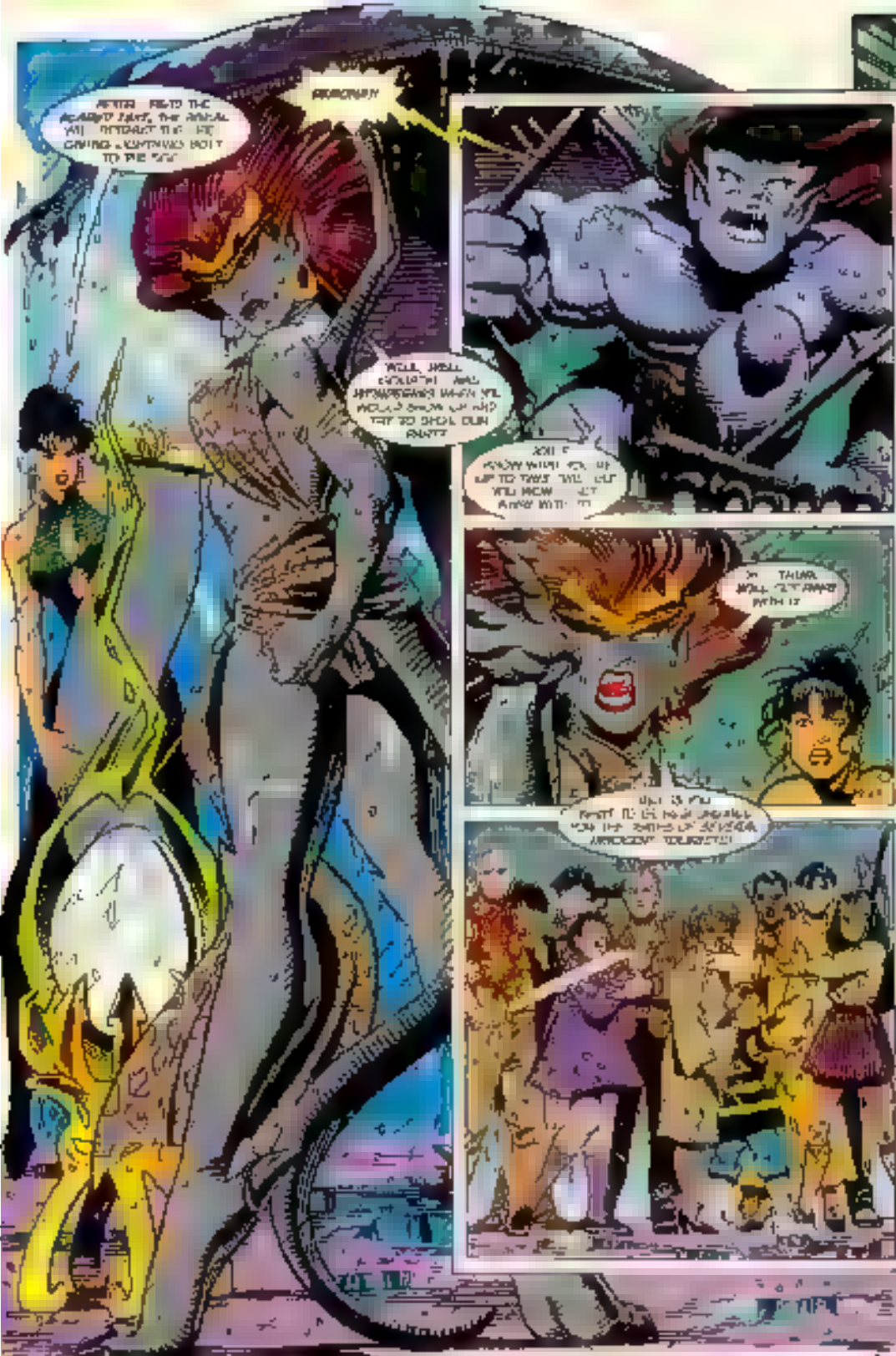


I FEEL SORRY FOR THEM!

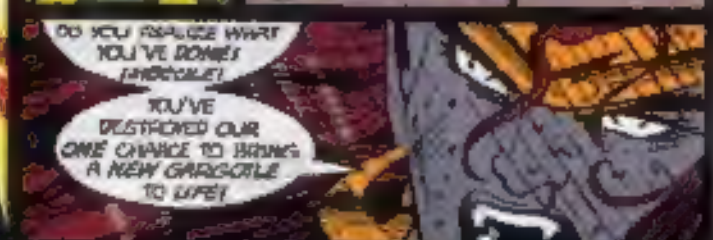


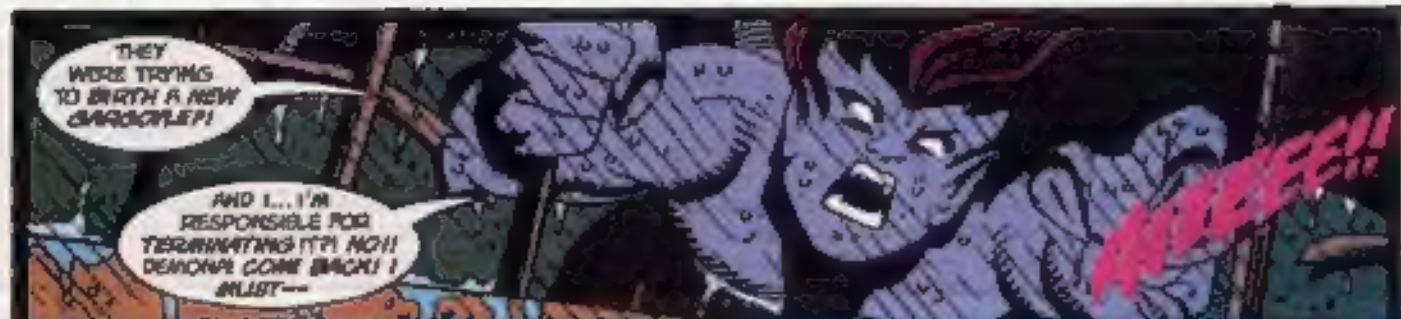
OUR WORST FEARS ARE REALIZED! DEMONIA HAS ALLIED WITH THE TRADER!

THE OTHERS MUST BE RIGHT BEHIND ME, BUT I CAN'T HEAR OR SEE THEM THROUGH THIS SQUALL!









THEY
WERE TRYING
TO BIRTH A NEW
GARGOYLE!

AND I... I'M
RESPONSIBLE FOR
TERMINATING IT! NO!!
DEMONA! COME BACK! I
JUST--

WAAAAH!!



EXCUSE ME
FOR SCREAMING! I
JUST CAN'T BELIEVE
HOW FUN NEW
YORK IS!

AND MY HUSBAND
WAITED TO GO TO
EARS-DISNEY
THIS YEAR!

I KNEW THE CHRYSLER
BUILDING HAD
GARGOYLES...
BUT, HERE!

EASY,
LAD...

... THERE'S
NO WAY WE COULD
HAVE SEEN IT WITH A
GARGOYLE EGG
THROUGH THIS
STORM!

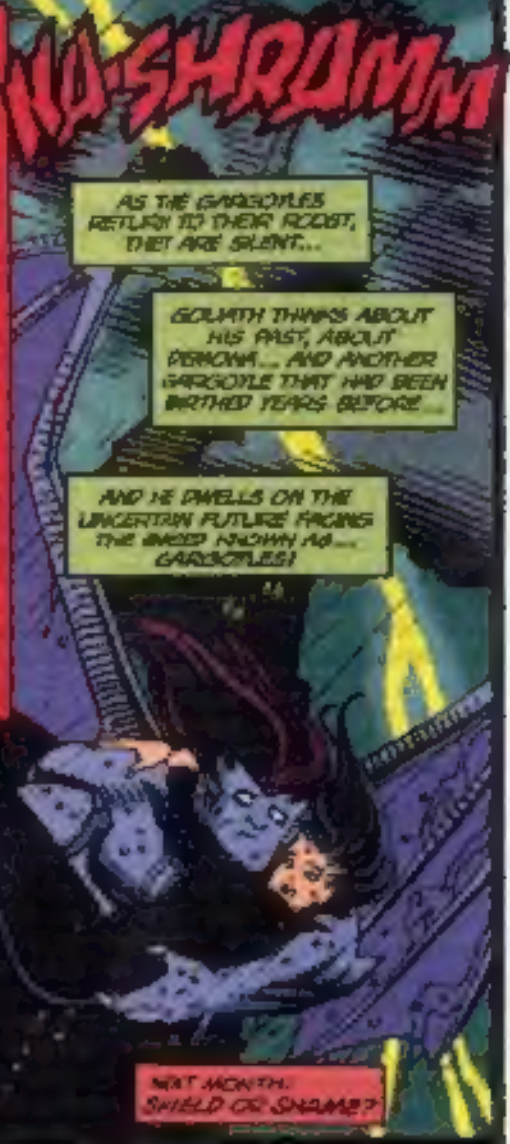
WHAT
HAVE I
DONE?



DON'T
BEAT YOUR-
SELF UP
OVER THIS,
GOLATH!

YOU KNOW
WE DID THE ONLY
THING WE COULD! A
YOUNG GARGOYLE UNDER
DEMONA'S TUTELAGE
WOULD ONLY BE
TROUBLE FOR THE
FUTURE

WH-WHO
CAN REALLY
SAY?



WA-SHRUM!

AS THE GARGOYLES
RETURN TO THEIR ROOST,
THEY ARE SILENT...

GOLATH THINKS ABOUT
HIS PAST, ABOUT
DEMONA... AND ANOTHER
GARGOYLE THAT HAD BEEN
BORNED YEARS BEFORE

AND HE DWELLS ON THE
UNCERTAIN FUTURE FACING
THE SPEED KNOWN AS...
GARGOYLES!

NEXT MONTH:
SHIELD OR SHAME?



WRITTEN IN STONE

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 Please include your name, age, and address, though we do publish letters from addresses with aliases.
 MILITARY RESERVES - Welcome

Dear Gargoyles Folks,

I love your comic book! It is the first comic I have really gotten into. I have every issue and just finished reading #6. Amanda Corner is a great artist. Would you like to know how I got into your comics? Okay - it was a dark and stormy night. (Really it was!) My family and I ate pizza and went to Media Play afterwards. I was walking by the comics when I saw a big, purple shiny thing. I took a closer look and said, "A Gargoyles book! Neat!" So I have gotten every one ever since. Keep up the good work!

Griffin Van Malssen, 10
 Charlotte, NC

Thanks for being a dedicated reader, Griffin! We look forward to being around for a long time! And if you're partial to dark and stormy nights, this issue is full of them!

Holy Continuity Crisis, Hildy!

Just where were your minds at while you were doing issue #6? The first error is that Brooklyn and Lexington were back in their old clothes. When exactly did they find the time to change from shorts (which I really liked on Brooklyn) from the bincloths they were wearing during heated battle back in issue #5? In issue #5, Venus is more like Goliath's color and has four fingers per hand but in issue #6, she is tan with five fingers per hand!

Please don't take all this the wrong way, but I'm a fan to the extent that stuff like this just really miffs me to the max. By the way, despite the above problems, you produce a great comic book!

Mary Brouse, 16
 Lexington, KY

We like hearing from our readers, even when they're picking out boo-boos we've made! Would ya believe, between GARGOYLES #5 & 6, there was an untold story where the Gargoyles were transported to another dimension and changed their clothes while Venus got a new finger and recoloration? No? Well, you can't blame us for trying!

Dear Written In Stone,

I have just come from Lerwik, Scotland. Everything is backwards

here, even the lanes people drive in, not to mention the electrical sockets. I can't even plug in my hair dryer (grin)! One of my newly-met friends informed me of a certain comic by the name of GARGOYLES. It took me quite a while to find it, though in all I would say it was worth the trouble.

Having seen the animated series, I can proudly say I support your effort all the way and bark again. I want to wish you all good luck and thanks for making my stay in America worth my while!

Peetra Reynolds, 17
 Philadelphia, PA

P.S. Going hang-gliding with some friends, wish me luck so I don't fly into any trees!

Let's see. You come from Scotland, you have long hair and you hang-glide... Are you one of the missing Gargoyles, Neetra?

Dear Written In Stone,

Thank you, thank you, thank you for coming out with a GARGOYLES comic! I've been with you since the first issue and haven't missed one yet, probably because all of you people behind the comic do such a superb job.

My favorite Gargoyle is Broadway and I really like the way you showed him in issue #4, Blood From a Stone. At the very end, my eyes were brimming with tears. I read it again and again and again. Apart from Sergio Aragones' GROO THE WANDERER, you guys publish the only comic I read over and over again.

Molly Hill, 14
 Forest Grove, OR

Thanks for the compliments, Molly! But oops, we don't publish GROO anymore. Why don't you try some other Marvel-Disney titles? You'll be glad you did!

Dear Marvel Comics,

I have one word for your comic - outstanding. I have all the GARGOYLES comics, trading cards, and never miss an episode on TV. Are there any new TV episodes? Can you please send me a picture of Goliath?

James Macri
 Meriden, CT

There will be new episodes of GARGOYLES on TV this fall, and it'll be on four days a week; not just Fridays! Disney has some real neat twists and turns planned on the new episodes, too. Sorry, we don't have any GARGOYLES pictures to send out. Aren't there enough pictures of Goliath in every issue?

Dear Gargoyles,

Wind washes around the statue,
 A gargoyle made of stone.
 It sits through the sunlit day
 Waiting for the day to be gone.

As the sun sets so goes the stone,
 From stone it transforms
 Into living flesh and bone.

Guardians of the night,
 Defenders of the right,
 They are
 Gargoyles!

Jessica Briner
 Quebeck, TN

Hey, who says this isn't the Marvel Age of Poetry? Thanks for your cool verse, Jessica.

Dear Gargoyles,

If I thought the cartoon was good, I nearly died when I saw the comic! You guys did a great job! Thanks a lot for this column of light, it keeps my spirits from sinking when I'm depressed. Am I getting too mushy? Sorry!

Absolutely fabulous work, people. Thanks!

Becky "Dragonwing" Richards, 15
 Granada Hills, CA

No, thank you, "Dragonwing". It means a lot to all the creative people on this book that you enjoy GARGOYLES so much. And check out our subscription form if you'd like to get this "column of light" delivered to your house each month!

Dear Written In Stone,

Hi, my name is April Gist (Gripe Ape for short). I am 12-years-old and love the Gargoyles. I saw the Gargoyles video and couldn't believe how real the comics looked! But alas (I gotta stop reading that romance stuff - ha ha) I only saw the movie 'cause my stuck-in-the-'70's parents won't get cable. Brooklyn and Lexington are my favorite Gargoyles. Gotta go.

April Gist, 12
 Anson, TX

P.S. I didn't mean that about my parents!

Luckily, the Gargoyles animated TV series is on regular television so you won't miss a single episode this fall! Thanks for the cool picture of you and your cat, April!

NEXT MONTH:

Ever wonder how Elisa earned her detective badge? Learn about it all as she and the Gargoyles go after a serial killer on the loose!